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### General Comment

This amendment does not allow ordinary employers to follow their sincerely held religious beliefs regarding birth control and abortion inducing drugs. It also doesn't respect the rights of religious organizations that aren't specifically houses of worship. Numerous employers and faith based organizations will now be forced to choose between violating their sincerely held religious beliefs or not providing health coverage for their employees which would harm many families. The regulation needs to allow for a broader religious exemption.